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## VIA FACSIMILE and CERTIFIED MAIL

Ms. Robin Kelly  
Campaign Finance Analyst  
Reports Analysis Division  
Federal Election Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: Friends of Roy Blunt (C00304758)

Dear Ms. Kelly:

This law firm represents Friends of Roy Blunt (the "Committee") in connection with all matters pending before the Federal Election Commission. On behalf of the Committee, and following up on the conversations that you and I have had, this letter responds to the letter that you sent to the Committee on August 10, 2004. In your letter, you raised certain questions about the Column B figures for Lines 7(a), 7(c) 17 and 22 of the Summary and Detailed Summary Pages for the Committee's July Quarterly and 12-Day Pre-Primary Reports. You also requested that the Committee file an amendment to those reports no later than September 9, 2004.

As we discussed, the lines at issue in your letter are those for "operating expenditures" and "other disbursements." In reviewing the two reports cited in your letter, we realized that the amount that the Committee reported for "operating expenditures" (lines 7 and 17) was \$60,000 too low (based on the number reported on the Committee's April, 2004 quarterly report as a starting point), while the amount that the Committee reported for "other disbursements" (line 21) was \$60,000 too high (again, based on the April quarterly report as a starting point). There was no net effect on the Committee's total disbursements or on its cash-on-hand.

It appears that this error occurred because of an amended entry made to the Committee's campaign account records after the Committee filed its April, 2004 Quarterly Report. After the filing of that report, a change was made in the Committee's computer system to change a previously-reported \$60,000 payment to the National Republican Congressional Committee ("NRCC") from a Line 17 entry to a Line 21 entry. This changed the election cycle to date numbers for those lines for the period covered by the April Quarterly Report. The totals appearing in the Committee's computer thus became different from what was reflected on the